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## HOUSE BILL No. 1154

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DIGEST OF HB 1154 (Updated February 5, 2002 4:49 PM - DI 84)

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-25; noncode.

**Synopsis:** Motor vehicle financial responsibility. Makes operating or permitting the operation of a motor vehicle on a public highway without financial responsibility in effect for the motor vehicle a Class C misdemeanor instead of a Class A infraction. Requires the driving privileges of a person who commits the offense to be suspended for one year.

**Effective:** July 1, 2002.

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**Goodin, Bischoff**

(SENATE SPONSOR — MERRITT)

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January 9, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.  
January 23, 2002, reported — Do Pass.  
January 29, 2002, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.  
January 30, 2002, read third time, call withdrawn.  
February 5, 2002, reread third time, recommitted to a Committee of One, amended; passed.  
Yeas 94, nays 1.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

## HOUSE BILL No. 1154

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-25-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 2. (a) A person who **knowingly**:

3 (1) operates; or

4 (2) permits the operation of;

5 a motor vehicle on a public highway in Indiana commits a ~~Class A~~  
6 ~~infraction~~ **Class C misdemeanor** unless financial responsibility is in  
7 effect with respect to the motor vehicle under IC 9-25-4-4.

8 (b) Subsection (a)(2) applies to:

9 (1) the owner of a rental company that is referred to in  
10 IC 9-25-6-3(e)(1); and

11 (2) an employer that is referred to in IC 9-25-6-3(e)(2).

12 (c) **In addition to any other penalty imposed on a person for**  
13 **violating this section, the court may recommend the suspension of**  
14 **the person's driving privileges for one (1) year. However, if the**  
15 **person has a prior unrelated conviction under this section, the**  
16 **court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving**  
17 **privileges for one (1) year.**

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1       (d) Upon receiving the recommendation of the court under  
2 subsection (c), the bureau shall suspend the person's driving  
3 privileges for the period recommended by the court.

4       SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] IC 9-25-8-2, as  
5 amended by this act, applies only to offenses committed after June  
6 30, 2002.

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred House Bill 1154, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

COOK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 1.

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## HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1154 be recommitted to a Committee of One, its author, with specific instructions to amend as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "who:" and insert "who **knowingly**:".

Page 1, line 13, delete "shall" and insert "**may**".

Page 1, line 14, after "year." insert "**However, if the person has a prior unrelated conviction under this section, the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for one (1) year.**".

(Reference is to HB 1154 as printed January 24, 2002.)

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee of One, to which was referred House Bill 1154, begs leave to report that said bill has been amended as directed.

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